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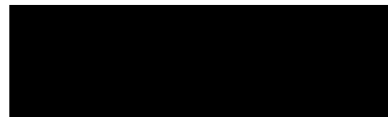
Validity Study of NIE 66-54:

Probable Developments in the Philippine Republic,

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The attached validity study of NIE 66-54, "Probable Developments in the Philippine Republic," published 23 March 1954, was noted by the IAC on 12 February 1957 (IAC-M-277, item 5 c).

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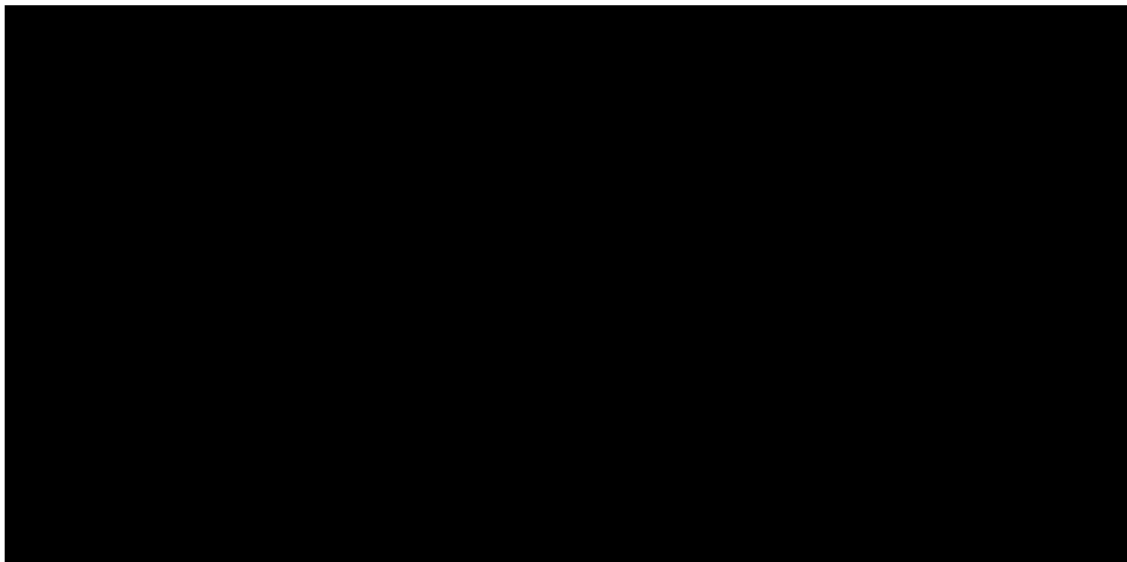
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1. Although most of the major estimates of NIE 66-54 have proven valid, the estimate was deficient in failing to anticipate the recent upsurge of anti-Americanism. The estimate correctly stated that "friction will arise between the US and the Philippines in the settlement of trade and defense problems." However, it did not anticipate the extent to which such friction would strain US-Philippine relations.



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government would be worse under another president.

3. The estimate correctly pointed out that the success of Magsaysay's reform programs would depend "in large part on his securing the support of the conservative elements which dominate his own party" and that "the opposition of the vested interests to change would probably cause the Magsaysay administration to fall considerably short of the goals it set for itself." As estimated, the Philippine government has succeeded in virtually eliminating organized Huk dissidence, and has continued to oppose Communist expansion in Asia.

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